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Prior to initial review, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE SPECIFICATION**

In the first line after the title, please insert the following:

--This application is a continuation application of U. S. Patent Application  
09/397,443, filed September 15, 1999, and entitled "Dynamic Bandwidth Allocation".--

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please add the following new claims 2-36 after deleting claim 1. New Claims 2-33 and 34-36 correspond to Claims 7-38 and 43-45, respectively, in the parent application. For the Examiner's convenience we have attached a claims table.

2. (New) A telecommunications system with a multi-carrier transmission scheme that dynamically allocates bandwidth among a plurality of service units, the system comprising:

a head end that transmits data over a transmission medium to the service units, the head end comprising a modem circuit for narrow band transmission in at least one transmission channel, each transmission channel including a number of subbands having a number of payload channels and a control channel in each subband;